

## ELBA POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department reported an active week with a total of 3 arrests (failure to appear-2 and criminal mischief-2nd degree) and 21 traffic citations (speeding-9, license suspended-4, driving under the influence-3, unauthorized use of a vehicle, drivers license required-4 and no drivers license).

Following are daily activity reports:

**TUESDAY, MARCH 14**  
Activity included a woods fire on 87N. (2:42 p.m.) and a fire at Gene's Auto Sales (6:03 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15**  
Activity included a prowler on 84E. (8:53 p.m.).

**THURSDAY, MARCH 16**  
Activity included a complaint of

gunshots fired at the cemetery on 84E. (2:34 a.m.).

**FRIDAY, MARCH 17**  
Activity included a complaint of minors shooting pellet guns (10:20 p.m.), a vehicle on fire on Pine Cove Drive (10:29 p.m.) and a disturbance at King Circle (11:06 p.m.).

**SATURDAY, MARCH 18**  
Activity included a theft at HOCO (1:15 a.m.), a wreck at Cook Chevrolet (11:29 a.m.) and a disturbance at 87N. (8:06 p.m.).

**SUNDAY, MARCH 19**  
Activity included a wreck at Mr. Henry's (11:01 a.m.).

**MONDAY, MARCH 20**  
Activity included a disturbance at West Street (4:53 p.m.) and a fight on Taylor Mill Road (6:08 p.m.).

## Too Many Turtles In Your Pond? A Possible Solution!

Dan J. Presley  
County Agent-  
Coordinator

Some farm ponds have such a large turtle population that it is almost impossible to fish successfully. Sliders or basking type turtles cause most of the problems because they attack angler's floats, remove baits from hooks and sometimes eat fish from stringers. They rarely catch and eat live fish, however.

When turtles become so abundant that they are nuisances, their numbers can be reduced. Experience has shown trapping to be the most effective and practical method to remove them from the ponds.

Since sliders like to bask in the sun in groups on snags or stumps over the water, tiltboard traps are ideal for catching them. A tiltboard trap consists of a 4-foot x 4-foot box of galvanized hardware cloth, a tiltboard and a walkup board on two sides. The trap will last much longer if it is painted with asphalt material. Even better, solid plastic mesh or plastic coated wire is available that will last for many years.

The tiltboard is separated in the middle and installed in the center of the trap with a rod through either end so that it tilts toward the water when the turtle climbs onto it. A counter weight on the outer end returns the board to the horizontal position after the turtle falls into the trap.

Place the trap in water about 3 feet deep and install a walkup board on two sides. The walkup boards should have at least a 45 degree angle to the trap or the turtles will stop and sun themselves there rather than on the tiltboard.

## Creative Crimefighting Seminars To Be Held

Sandra T. Coffey  
County Agent

Respond America is a Birmingham-based public service organization which trains hundreds of people each week across the state in crime prevention and self-defense techniques.

The program, "Creative Crimefighting," was developed with extensive research and contains practical tips that can be used on a daily basis to prevent crime and lessen its severity. Some of the topics covered are: Taking Responsibility For Crime, Developing Habits To Prevent Crime, How To Respond When Confronted With Crime, Defending Yourself In A Violent Crime, Psychological Profile Of A Criminal, Weapons, and Pros And Cons.

This unique personal safety seminar is conducted by a professional speaker with extensive training in crime prevention and self-defense techniques.

Barbara Farfan is the executive director of Respond America and will be in Coffee County the first week in April. She is also a Rape Response counselor for the Jefferson County Crisis Center.

Listed below is Barbara's schedule - you must pre-register by calling 894-5596.

April 3 - 7:00 p.m. - Kinston City Hall

April 4 - 11:45 a.m. - 1st Baptist Church - Enterprise

(Cost is \$1.50 - sandwich lunch)

April 4 - 3:30 p.m. - People's Bank - Elba

April 5 - 10:00 a.m. - New Brockton Extension Service

April 6 - 12:00 noon - Dorsey Trailers - Elba

April 6 - 6:30 p.m. - Colony Inn - Enterprise - Cost \$5.50 (Soup and Salad Dinner)

To register for any of these seminars, please call 894-5596.

## Easter Egg Hunt Set For March 25 At Hawkins-Williams Park In Elba

The New Seasons Study Club will sponsor the annual Easter egg hunt on Saturday, March 25, to begin at 1 p.m. at Hawkins-Williams Park.

Four age divisions will be able to hunt over 500 eggs, plus four golden eggs. Prizes will be awarded

in each category. Other attractions include face painting and pictures with the Easter bunny. Price to hunt is \$1.00 - and hunters are reminded to bring their Easter baskets!

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## Citizens meet with mayor and council at New Brockton town meeting Monday

Those who expected Monday night's "Town Meeting" in New Brockton to be little more than a shouting match between disgruntled citizens and city officials left disappointed.

A large gathering was on hand Monday night, March 27, at the Senior Citizen's building in New Brockton for the city's long-awaited town meeting and the meeting turned out to be productive as a number of citizens aired various concerns and questioned the city officials on a large variety of issues.

Each member of the city council and Mayor Jim Driskell opened the meeting by making statements concerning departments in the city and then moderator Kenneth Fuller, who is also the city attorney, opened the meeting to those in the audience.

Questions asked concerned the water situation in the city, the city's financial status and the lack of a dispatcher at the police station; however, the question that seemed to spark the most interest dealt with the "crisis over street lights."

Bernie Mack Bowden expressed concern about dark areas across the town that were created because of a cutback in the number of lights being used due to the city's financial problems.

Bowden stated that he had understood that lights would be left only at intersections, but reported that several lights served no purpose except to light private drives.

Councilman Ralph Medley, the supervisor of the Street Department, answered that the city had removed "every other light" where possible and lights were on at intersections.

One resident questioned whether or not the city could purchase less expensive lights and use the savings to light additional areas, but was told a recent check with Alabama Power Company revealed no such lights were available that would give off as much light as those now used.

Nancy Carnley asked why the "poorer sections" of town were without lights and was told by Medley that the city had to cut back expenses and certain areas were without lights, but added that many of the sections in questions have always been without lights.

A question asked by former Police Chief Gordon Luckack about missing funds in the Senior Citizen's fund seemed to take the crowd by surprise and while the question



Moderator Kenneth Fuller (right) listens as New Brockton resident Bernie Mack Bowden addresses the gathering at Monday night's town meeting in New Brockton. A crowd in excess of 100 attended the meeting.

was answered, it left many wondering just what had happened.

City Attorney Kenneth Fuller explained that the matter of missing funds had been turned over to him and he had recovered the funds and had received a cashier's check to cover the shortage.

It was never stated why the shortage was not made public or why the person involved wasn't prosecuted. An answer many seemed interested in.

A question concerning the city's

Housing Authority received a quick answer, but also caused a minor stir when it was revealed that a husband and wife both served on the five-member authority.

Alma Hornsby questioned why a town with as many people as New Brockton had to get a husband and wife to serve on a board and asked about how members were chosen.

It was explained that the mayor made the appointments to the Housing Authority, the legality of

which is questionable, and Driskell stated "It is nothing new, in years past brothers have served on the board."

Council members closed the meeting by seeking the support of all present and all those in the town and Councilman Bud Goodson said "The time has come to bury the hatchet, work together and cooperate to make New Brockton a place everyone can be proud of."

## Commission may take legal action to have rural county road repaired

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, March 27 at the courthouse in Elba and instructed county attorney Warren Rowe to take whatever legal steps were necessary to recover damages from an area construction firm that allegedly damaged a county road while hauling materials.

Rowe informed the commission that a road near the airport in Enterprise had been severely damaged by trucks owned by the S.A. Graham Company and that according to county engineer Mark Pool the damages totalled over \$45,000.

Pool stated that the county highway department had already spent in excess of \$32,000 in repairing the road and that upon completion, the total bill to the county would be over \$45,000.

Rowe reported he had discussed the damages with an attorney for the insurance company representing S.A. Graham and had been told the insurance company would pay the county \$3,500.

The commission discussed possible legal action in the matter and instructed Rowe to attempt to settle the matter out of court; however, the commission made it clear that if no satisfaction could be realized, it would pursue the matter in the courts.

The continuing saga of additional help for the Registrars' office was again discussed at Monday's meeting and after a brief discussion the commission voted 6-1 (Egerton voting in opposition) to keep the temporary employee being used to operate a computer in the office for an additional six months.

County attorney Warren Rowe explained that Coffee County could not be excused from a federal lawsuit until certain facts concerning the voting records in all the districts in the county could be compiled, and added that the facts needed to be determined as fast as possible.

Rowe felt the work needed could be completed quicker with the aid of the part time employee in the Registrars' office.

Comm. Sid Averett asked the commissioners to meet with officials in Elba and Enterprise about the possibility of establishing adult day care centers in the cities.

Averett stated he had a commitment from the state to pay the cost of employees if the cities would provide housing.

Anyone who might use the facility is encouraged to contact Comm. Averett or the Coffee County Commission's office. Potential day care customers are needed to help provide the state with a proof of need.

County engineer Mark Pool received approval from the commission to proceed with the paperwork for six federal projects being planned for the county.

The projects include three bridges slated for replacement on county roads 80, 38 and 37, as well as resurfacing work on roads 25, 43 and 75.

The bridge work would take place in 1991, while the resurfacing could begin as early as the winter of 1989.

Pool also presented the commissioners with a chart that revealed that annual fuel consumption in the county highway department had dropped by over 50,000 gallons in the past three years.

Pool reported the savings were the result of programs started by the commission.

In other action at Monday's meeting, the commission:

\*\*approved the minutes of the past meeting;

\*\*awarded contracts for unleaded fuel and off-road diesel fuel to Heath Oil Company;

\*\*approved the dates of May 3-6 as the official dates for the 1989 Shrine's Chicken Festival;

\*\*approved a request to allow the Deep South Race Horse Association to use a covered arena at the Farm Center complex, in New Brockton, to hold the association's show in June;

\*\*heard Comm. Jim Dubose continue his fight to adopt a policy that would prevent overweight trucks from operating on county roads;

\*\*upon questioning by Comm. Robert Stephens, learned that the Probate Judge's office was responsible for keeping the voters list in the county;

\*\*approved a request to ask the state to install a flashing light at a dangerous intersection in the Ino Community;

\*\*honored Thomas Garrison as the highway department's "Employee of the Month";

\*\*amended the budget to cover the workman's compensation expense in the highway department;

\*\*agreed to change the wording in the county policy to allow all employees until Feb. 1 of each year to get vacation time down to 240 hours;

\*\*appointed John Watson to the Bethany Water Authority;

\*\*donated \$100 to the South Alabama State Fair to aid with prizes (last year county residents won \$600 in prize money);

\*\*approved attendance for all commissioners at this week's Commissioner's College, at Auburn;

\*\*was told that the owners of a small strip of land near the jail had agreed to sell the land to the county;

\*\*heard Comm. Dubose continue his attempt to have the commissioners meet during the week between regularly scheduled meetings;

\*\*made private donations toward the purchase of a painting from the Coffee County Arts Alliance;

\*\*and, heard Comm. Stephens request that a bridge on County Road 38 be reopened to traffic.

## Lawsuit filed against Dorsey Trailers and local union

A lawsuit has been filed in Montgomery federal court against Dorsey Trailers, the International Association of Machinists and Aero Spaceworkers and union President Kelley.

Filing the lawsuit was 42 former employees of Dorsey who were among the workers rehired in March 1987 when the trailer manufacturing firm was purchased as a spin-off from the parent company.

According to the suit, the workers were wrongly dismissed when

the changeover took place. The firm completely shut down for two days and the suit claims the dismissals were in violation of the contract that was in effect until January 31, 1988.

Dorsey deliberately did not rehire the fired workers in spite of their seniority and other contractual rights, according to a claim in the suit.

The suit claims the workers appealed their problem to the local union office and also to the national

headquarters, but didn't get the results they wanted.

An appeal to the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services was denied because it wasn't filed by the union, a requirement necessary to have the appeal considered.

Dorsey Trailers issued the following prepared statement on Monday of this week:

We were shocked and dismayed last week to be served with a lawsuit containing libelous and defamatory allegations. The suit was brought by a disgruntled group of ex-Dorsey employees who were dis-

appointed at not being hired by the new owners of Dorsey Trailers.

As we will quickly show in court, this suit is baseless, and worse than that, is filled with outrageous and highly inflammatory charges, all of them false.

We are deeply offended at these allegations and intend to do everything legally possible to vindicate the reputations of company officials referred to in the suit and the good name of this company.

Company representatives are now contemplating a defamation suit against the plaintiffs.

## Stubbs found guilty of murder

A jury needed only fifteen minutes last week to return a guilty verdict against a 20-year-old Georgia man charged with capital murder in connection with the 1985 abduction and murder of a rural Coffee County resident.

Timothy David Stubbs was convicted after being charged with the murder of 55-year-old James Edward Nelson, a resident of the Antioch Community.

Easton Darris Mullis, convicted of hiring Stubbs and Richard Steven Adams to kill Nelson, is serving life without parole for his involvement in the slaying, while Adams, is also serving time in prison after pleading guilty to a lesser charge of murder.

The trial, which began and ended on Monday, March 20, at the Coffee County courthouse in Elba, almost ended before it began when Stubbs informed the court that he

wished to plead guilty to the capital murder charge. However, Bruce DeVane, chief investigator for the Coffee County District Attorney's office, stated state law required the hearing before jurors and the case went along as planned.

Mr. DeVane played a taped interview with Stubbs during the brief trial on Monday, and on the tape, Stubbs described how he and his teenage son, Richard Steven Adams, abducted, robbed and killed Mr. Nelson for \$10,000.

Stubbs stated that he and Adams took Nelson from the house in which Nelson was living, drove him to the Conecuh River bridge and told him to get out of the car and walk. Nelson was walking when Stubbs confessed that he shot him in the side of the head.

Circuit Judge Terry Butts has set a sentencing date of April 12.

## Mayor reports new store to open in Elba

The Elba City Council heard Mayor Fred Moore announce Monday night the news of a new retail business coming to Elba. Moore said a variety store Bargain Time would open on July 28 in part of the building vacated by TG&Y.

Moore explained that the building has been divided into three sections and this firm would occupy one and expected to have the other two leased in the near future.

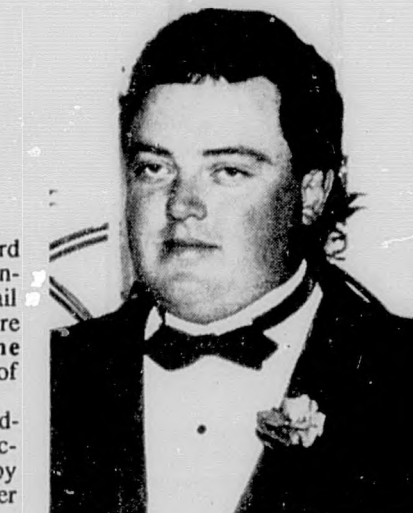
Moore also reported on the successful demonstration of the sewer washing machine last week. He said bids have been requested from three firms and the council could decide if they wanted to buy at the time of the bid opening.

The expected cost of \$13,500 could be recovered within two years, according to Moore, by the reduced purchases of sewer solvent.

Repairs have been completed on the Mulberry pool at a cost of \$1600. The bathhouses are now being repaired at this pool, the mayor told the council.

The council is looking into a facility for a adult day care center, installing some No Littering signs, and the mosquito problem in town. Also being considered is installation of warning stations to alert citizens of bad weather conditions.

Police Chief Freddie Hanchey told council members his department had a relatively quiet two-week period. They received 111 complaints, including four traffic accidents. Thirty-five traffic citations were issued, including four DUI tickets. Four criminal arrests were made. The Animal Control Officer picked up 19 dogs during this period.



James Gibbs killed  
in offshore accident

James Robert "Goobar" Gibbs, age 26, died in an accident aboard an oil pumping platform in the Gulf of Mexico on Sunday night, March 19.

Initial reports to his wife, Shannon, of Elba that he jumped from the platform were apparently wrong, as his body was found on the platform after an oil fire was controlled.

Public reports reaching the family are that the platform, owned by Atlantic Richfield Oil Co. was shut down for maintenance and something went wrong, resulting in a massive explosion, resulting in the fire that claimed the life of Gibbs and several of his coworkers.

He had been an employee of Atlantic Richfield as an operator for seven years. Prior to that he worked as a roustabout for two years.

The Elba native would have been 27 on April 27. Survivors include his wife Shannon and a 2-year-old son Ryan. (see Obituaries for other survivors)

DON'T FORGET ...  
MOVE CLOCKS UP ONE HOUR  
SATURDAY NIGHT!!!!



## RAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

A stopped clock is correct twice a day. We were apparently right when we wrote that a lottery bill couldn't pass the Alabama legislature this year. A couple have made it into committee but the only one to come up for a vote was defeated about 2-1. We ain't critical of the negative vote on the lottery nor the preachers opposing the proposed lottery. However we wonder aloud where all this concern for the poor, etc. was on each of three occasions when the dog tracks were successfully proposed and approved. It seems to be in our memory that the last two were sold to the voters as a savior for the poor with all the jobs they would create. Oh well, the Florida folks are enjoying the profits from Alabama citizens with dreams of suddenly having millions.

County Commissioner Jimmy DuBose continues to suggest that the commissioners "get together" on the weeks there is not a scheduled meeting, "just to talk." We disagree. A meeting of this group last week where no minutes were kept is treading on thin ice. While it is true this newspaper had calls from more than one commissioner, including Mr. DuBose, informing us they were planning to meet, anything to see what other commissioners are willing to support during a regular meeting is against the law. Elba school board members wound up in a lawsuit because someone thought they had conferred on public business over the telephone, also against the law. If it is important business, a special meeting can be called and minutes kept . . . that way the commissioners can keep their noses clean and the news media can write about what happens and not speculate about what "might" have happened.

New Brocken city officials attempted to defuse some of their problems by holding a town meeting Monday night. It probably helped some, but apparently created more further questions. This newspaper received a couple of telephone calls early Tuesday morning wanting to know "Why New Brocken is doing . . . or . . .". We hope the dust settles and our neighbors move forward with making life better for all of us.

Daylight Saving Time again goes into effect Sunday morning. Be sure to wake up at 2 a.m. and change your clock so you will not be late to work, church or school or whatever. It is nice to grumble when we are forced to get up an hour earlier but just think positive . . . it gives us an extra hour of daylight in the evenings to fish!

For years we have read that there were major problems with getting controlled nuclear fusion. This is the opposite of the atomic bomb that splits atoms, or the atomic power plants that generate tons of radioactive waste. Anyway, two experts have figured out how to get this fusing of atoms in a glass bottle on top of the workbench! The process of fusing these atoms and thus creating a heavier, different atom generates enormous quantities of energy. They reported their small experiment generated energy for hours after the initial mixing. The process could solve all our problems with peaceful use of nuclear energy by virtually eliminating the dangerous by-products.

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I - SKIN DEEP	(R)
M-F 7:30 / S&S - 2:45	
II - FLECH LIVES	(PG)
M-F 7:30 / S&S - 2:45	
III - COUSINS	(PG-13)
M-F 7:30 / S&S - 2:45	
IV - LEAN ON ME	(PG-13)
M-F 7:30 / S&S - 2:45	
College Cinema	
LEVATHAN	(R)
M-F 7:30 / S&S - 2:45	
POLICE ACADEMY VI	(PG)
M-F 7:30 / S&S - 2:45	
CHANCES ARE	(PG)
M-F 7:30 / S&S - 2:45	
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cards, flowers, food, prayers, and  
expression of sympathy made our  
burden easier to bear.  
May God continue to bless and  
keep you.  
3-3-lip

We wish to express our sincere  
thanks to all the friends, relatives,  
and neighbors who have been so  
kind during our time of grief.  
The food, visits, cards, calls,  
flowers, and especially the prayers  
were deeply appreciated.

The Family Of  
EDNA WEED  
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Persons admitted to Elba General  
Hospital during the period of March  
21 through 27 include the follow-  
ing:

Lois Hudson, Marsha Oggs,  
Chad Houston, Demonia Delynn  
Parks, William F. Williams, Darrel  
Corley, General Dewberry, Maynard  
Manning, Barney Patterson.  
Those discharged during the  
same period of time include:  
Lucy Thompson, Lillian Wil-  
son, Ann Wallace, Martha Jean  
Davis, Kim Brunson, Willie Pruitt,  
Denia Debrun, William Delynn  
Parks, Gladys Bryan, Lois Hudson,  
Marilyn Pam Wyatt, Marsha Oggs,  
Claude Marler, Lena Seyla, Lillian  
Rowe, Maynard Manning.

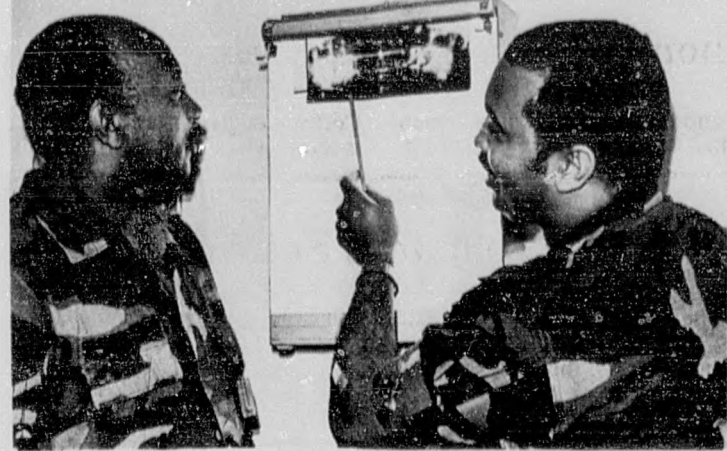
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**AN IMPORTANT FILM...**Sgt. Lenard C. Cook, left, gets a look at the panoramic X-ray made February 25 at the U.S. Army Dental Activity, Fort Rucker, Ala., during a mobilization exercise for U.S. Army Reserve units. The technician is Spec. Ellis Bentley. In addition to providing the X-rays for 388 Reservists, DENTAC personnel also examined them to determine their category of oral health. A resident of Elba, Ala., Cook is the armor NCO for that town's 191st USAR Maintenance Company. (U.S. Army Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Lou Salazar).

## OBITUARIES

### RACHEL VIOLA HENDRICKSON

Rachel Viola Hendrickson, age 79, of Elba, died March 26, 1989, at her home.

Arrangements were made for Mrs. Hendrickson's cremation by Hayes Funeral Home. Survivors include two sons: William Hendrickson, Cleveland, Ohio; Melvin Hendrickson, Dearborn, Mich.; two daughters: Miss Mary Hendrickson, Niland, Calif.; and Myrtle Isler, Elba; one brother: David Hollett, Valparaiso, Ind.; one sister: Miss Mary Hollett, Valparaiso, Ind.; and four grandchildren.

### JAMES ROBERT GIBBS

James Robert Gibbs, 26, of Elba, died March 19, 1989. Funeral services were held March 27, at 2 p.m. at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. David Richburg officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes directing.

Survivors include his wife: Shannon Parker Gibbs, Elba; one son: Robert Ryan Gibbs, Elba; his father: Douglas A. Gibbs, Elba; one brother: Billy Gibbs, Elba; two sisters: Mary Warren, Duluth, Ga., and Shannon Gilbert, Phenix City, Ala.

### Will Rogers USA To Be Held April 1 In Elba

Will Rogers' USA, starring Gene McFall, will be presented in the Elba High School auditorium Saturday evening, April 1, beginning at 7:30. The show will be sponsored by Coffee County Arts Alliance.

"Gene McFall was understudy to the famous James Whitmore for a number of years, and is the only actor other than Whitmore who is privileged to do this show," said a representative of the Arts Alliance. Tickets are on sale at reduced prices at The Jewel Box, Elba; Plain 'N' Fancy, and Gallery 2, Enterprise; and at ITT Office, Ft. Rucker.

Tickets will also be available at the door. For more information call Elba Arts Alliance board members Jane Brunson, Melanie Roberson, Liz Murdock, or Dr. Kenneth Strong.

### GED Classes Being Offered In County

For anyone needing help in improving educational skills, from learning to read and write through the GED program, the Coffee County Board of Education has a plan to help.

There is no charge for supplies and classes are held at New Hope, Shady Grove, Kingston, and Elba. For additional information contact Douglas Green at 897-5512 or 897-2594.

### Rental Rates Are Announced For CRP Program

The maximum rental rate that the U. S. Department of Agriculture will accept for an acre of Coffee County land in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) is \$45.00, according to Jesse J. Anderson, chairman of the Coffee County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee. The rate applies to cropland offered by farmers during the eighth CRP sign-up period which ended February 24, 1989.

If the per acre rental bids submitted for individual farms exceed \$45 per acre, the bid will not be accepted," said Mr. Anderson, "or if the county ASC Committee determines a lower rate should be paid." Although complete data will not be available on the eighth sign-up until later, Mr. Anderson said maximum acceptable rental rates are being announced at this time to assist producers in making their planting decisions.

In determining the acceptable rental rates, State ASC Committees recommended area pools based on similar erosion patterns, crop production levels, and other agricultural criteria. To enroll in CRP, farmers submit bids stating the per acre rental payment they would accept to keep their land out of crop production and into conserving uses for 10 years. ASC official David Eaddy said the payments compensate producers for retiring these acres from crop production during this period. Program participants also receive up to 50 percent of the cost of establishing permanent vegetative cover on their program acres.

## Clean Up Meeting Set For Mulberry Hts. On April 1

City Council member Gladys Yelverton has announced a Clean-up meeting for Saturday, April 1. The meeting will be held on the Mulberry Heights school grounds at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting is to plan clean-up of various areas and those interested in a particular area are urged to attend and let the needs be known.

## Young At Heart Club Of Zion Chapel Baptist Meets

By Gladys Carr

The Young At Heart Club of Zion Chapel Baptist Church met March 14 at Shoney's in Enterprise, with 10 members present.

It was a beautiful day - the weather was just great! The group enjoyed a delicious meal, after which some went to Do-

than and the others went shopping. Those attending were Dallas and Nellie Wayne Dean, Clemmie and Agnes Chancellor, O.C. and Mildred Kemp, Maudie Price, Callie Carr, Eva Pearl Ammons and Gladys Carr.

The next meeting will be April 11 at the church.

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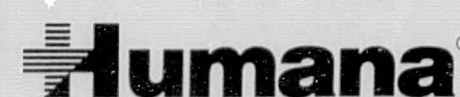
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## ELBA POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department reported an active week with a total of 2 arrests (menacing and assault third degree) and 10 traffic citations (drivers license required-2, improper lights, driving under the influence, speeding-5 and driving on the wrong side of the road). Following are daily activity reports:

**TUESDAY, MARCH 21**  
Activity included a complaint of loud music on West St. (3:28 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22**  
Activity included a wreck at Simmons and Claxton (3:11 p.m.).

**THURSDAY, MARCH 23**  
Activity included a wreck at Claxton and the Dairy Queen (9:35 a.m.), a fight at Razoos (6:14 p.m.) and a fight at Reynolds St. (6:18 p.m.).

**FRIDAY, MARCH 24**  
Activity included a disturbance at Cedar Lane Drive (12:34 a.m.) and a possible burglary at a home on Claxton (8:32 a.m.).

**SATURDAY, MARCH 25**  
Activity included a fight on Carver Drive (3:54 p.m.) and a disturbance at HOCC (7:30 p.m.).

**SUNDAY, MARCH 26**  
Activity included a wreck at the Big/Little (7:41 a.m.), a disturbance at a business on the Troy Hwy. (8:20 a.m.), a disturbance at Burch Trailer Park (8:45 a.m.), a disturbance at West St. (5:39 p.m.) and a disturbance at the Big/Little parking lot (8:06 p.m.).

**MONDAY, MARCH 27**  
Routine activity reported.

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## Thomas Garrison Is County Employee Of The Month

Thomas Garrison has been named Employee of the Month for

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## Band Day Pageants Set April 29

The annual Band Day pageant has been set for Saturday night, April 29, at 7 o'clock in the high school auditorium. Practice will be held Thursday night, April 27, at 7 o'clock in the auditorium. Entry forms may be

picked up at the high school. Entry fee is \$15.00. All entry forms should be turned in by the night of practice. The pageant is sponsored by the Elba High School Band Boosters.

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## Senior Citizens Of

Cordelia Hold Easter

Crafts & Bake Sale

By: Wanda Sasser

It was an unusually cool, rainy day when the Senior Citizens of Cordelia Street met for their weekly meeting and the annual Easter Craft and Bake Sale. We had tables full of cakes and pies, all homemade and most sold, as everyone enjoys home-baked pastries.

Some of the members were sick and were missed. Those who like to play dominoes played and others visited. Everyone was glad of the rains, but I guess this is the Easter snap of cool weather.

The Senior Citizen for this week is Jean Mauldin. She could not be with us today, so there is no picture. Jean has lived in the Basin Community 40 of her 63 years. She is retired from Civil Service of 22 years at Tyndall Air Force Base and Fort Rucker. Jean is a busy, active member of the Basin Baptist Church where she is the church clerk, director of the Senior Adults Ministry, and Senior Adult Bible Study teacher.

A lot of her time is spent as a volunteer at the HRDC, where she is an active member of the Senior Citizens of Cordelia Street. Jean has numerous hobbies, crocheting, cross stitching, ceramics, and taking care of her 10 goats. She enjoys walking, cuts her own grass, works in her garden and flowers. Jean has one son, Marshall and his wife, Sue, and a granddaughter, Marsha. Jean is a busy active person and that is why she was not with us today.

A delicious lunch was served to the following: Thelma Duggan, Helen McCahan, Ruthie Blanton, Myrl Burgett, Mattie Lou Goodson, Aileen English, Lexie Farris, Arthur Blackmon, Iris McDowell, Minnie Davis, Dixie Mae Maddox, Zedie Bouyer, Odell Reeves, Frank and Lennie McCollough, M. Boling, and Wanda Sasser.

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By Stephanie Goodson  
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Anyone who wishes to reserve a yearbook should contact Jackie, Stephanie, or Lisa.

#### DEADLINE FOR YEARBOOK RESERVATIONS IS APR. 3

By Donna Parker  
There are three shopping days left until the deadline to buy a yearbook. The absolute last day for reserving a yearbook is Monday, April 3; no deposits will be taken between April 3 and the day of distribution. Cost of the yearbook will be \$20. There will be an additional \$5 to have a name imprinted on the cover. A minimum of \$10 (\$13 for a name) is required to reserve a yearbook. See Mrs. Rachel Bryan, sponsor; Jackie Herben, editor; Lisa Holcomb, business manager; or Stephanie Goodson, Classes editor, to pay deposit.

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## REBEL NEWS

### Mountains Provide Scenic Change From Annual AEA Trip To Beach

By Gayle Pyfrom

Did you go to the beach for AEA? As a general rule, students do go south during spring break, hoping for plenty of sun and hot weather at the beach. But north, the scenic Blue Ridge Parkway, and the splendor of the Appalachian Mountains make for a vacation just as glorious.

The Blue Ridge Parkway runs through North Carolina, winding through, over, and around the Appalachian Mountains. Driving on the parkway in mid-March, you can see the last bits of ice and snow trickling off the mountain peaks on one side, and on the other, snatch glimpses of the long and steep descent between the trunks of the still leafless trees.

Periodically you come to an overlook where you can stop to enjoy the view. At each stop, a sign tells you what you are looking down on and the height from which you are looking at it.

The farther along the parkway

you go, the higher you become. At one point you suddenly go through a haze of smoke and gray and emerge safely to find that you've actually driven through a cloud. You can look across the valley to your right and see only the brilliant white reflection of the sun on the tops of the clouds.

Next stop is an information center where you can climb one of the many nature trails of the mountains. A sign tells you it is a ten-minute walk to the top.

On the trail you see many trees called rhododendrons. The climate at this elevation is not suitable for either the hardwoods that grow at the lower heights or the fir trees that grow higher up.

At last you reach the highest point east of the Mississippi River, Mt. Mitchell, at 6,684 feet above sea level.

The parkway is closed past this point because of tunnel work, so there is nothing to do but turn around and enjoy the return trip.

## REBEL ROUNDUP

### SERGEANT YORK

By Todd Rugg

Zion Chapel's American History class got to watch an American classic last week when they viewed *Sergeant York*, a story about a man who goes against his religion to fight for the country he loves, and at the same time becomes a hero. Sgt. York was a winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor.

The class, consisting of juniors and seniors, is enjoying the time off from regular class work, but members are surprised to find that they are really interested and like the movie.

The class began watching the movie last Monday while working on a chapter in their books on World War I. The class will take a test on the movie after it is over - and then it's back to the books!

### CLASS DRAWS HOUSE PLANS

By Tonya Bell

A house plan drawn to scale was the project assigned this nine weeks to the Living Environment class. The plan's scale was 1/4 inch to one foot. The plan had to be drawn on a sheet of poster paper and include enough floor space to be adequate for a family of four.

Each student had to keep a folder with fabric swatches, paint samples, and carpet and floor covering samples, as well as examples of various styles of furniture, draperies, and upholstery. These samples and examples had to be kept for two rooms in the house; one of these was a quiet area that could be a bedroom or bathroom, and the other had to be a social area, such as a family room or living room.

The project will count two test grades. Mrs. Joan Hobbs is the instructor for the Living Environment class.

### STUDENTS TAKE DRUG PREVALENCY TEST

By Dana Dean

Seventh-, ninth-, and eleventh-grade students recently were given a test entitled *The Alabama Drug Prevalency Survey*. The test was given to all the county schools as well as all schools in Alabama. It was mandated by the Alabama State Dept. of Education.

The test lasted one hour. Some of the questions were: "Have you ever tried drugs?" and "How often and what types of drugs do you use?" The test was designed to find out the frequency with which students use drugs, alcohol, and tobacco. It is hoped that by looking at these results more insight will be provided on the teen drug problem in our public schools.

### FIRST TIME PLAYERS INVOLVED IN JAMBOREE

By Kenneth Marler

For several football players, this year's spring jamboree against Goshen was a first-time experience. When asked how he felt about the game, Michael Stewart said he would definitely play next season.

Another first-year player interviewed was Eric Legg. Eric said he liked the game and he also would play next season.

Other players interviewed said they enjoyed the experience they received in the Friday night game.

### DID YOUR AEA GO AS PLANNED?

By Randy Flowers

During a survey of 50 Zion Chapel High students, it appeared that almost all of their AEA plans were the same - go to the beach! Now, during our after-inventory of the AEA holidays, we discovered that not everybody lived up to their own expectations.

We polled the same 50 students to see not only what they did during the holidays, but to see if they lived up to their own expectations. Out of the 50 students, only 63 percent of them went to the beach, but only 39 percent did what they expected to do. Some of the activities that were enjoyed included going to the mountains and visiting family and friends. Another popular pastime during the break was shopping.

### FFA HOLDS MEETING

Tractor-driving was the program subject for a recent meeting of the Future Farmers of America. Special guest was Mr. Stan Windham who explained the different kinds of tractors and their engines. He also talked about the course of the large and compact tractor-driving contest.

Other business discussed during the meeting was the dairy judging contest. At the recent contest Zion Chapel placed second in the county with a score of 224. The land judging contest which will be held in April also was discussed.



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Driver Education Instructor Ben Wilson has been teaching in the Coffee County system for several years.

### DRIVER ED CLASS HAS NEW CAR

By Pamela Franklin

Driver Education is a required course at Zion Chapel. All tenth-grade students must take this course one semester. The course is taught by Mr. Ben Wilson who also teaches Driver Education at Kinston and New Brockton. The car is a 1989 Spectrum. It is blue and has all the features necessary to meet the needs of today's driver. It has a dual control brake system, which means having two brakes - a regular brake and a brake on the passenger side in case of an emergency. This brake is used by the instructor. The car was furnished by Cook Chevrolet of Elba.

When asked how they felt about driving under Mr. Wilson's instruction, and with two other students in the car, many responded that they were nervous, excited, and some had mixed feelings. "My first time driving under Mr. Wilson, I was nervous and excited," said Sharon Rodgers. "It is fun driving, but it can also make you nervous at times," said Eric Jones.

Mr. Wilson said he was happy to be back at Zion Chapel and he feels his job is worthwhile as the students are not hard to teach because they all have an interest in learning how to drive and drive safely.

### Plans For Next Year To Include New Buildings

By David Jackson

There will be three new buildings constructed at Zion Chapel this summer: a multipurpose at the high school and two at elementary. The multipurpose building, large of the three, will contain classrooms for Vo-Ag, Home Ec., and Science. There will also be a workshop, kitchen, and Science lab, all three of which are badly needed.

The elementary school, which is ten years old, has needed more classrooms for some time, and the two new ones will be built off the main building.

Changes inside the main high school building will include moving the library and restoring the auditorium. The library will be moved to the old Science building; the dividing wall will be removed to make one big room.

The auditorium was turned into a Home Ec classroom many years ago, with a wall dividing it into a library. This wall will be removed and seats added to make a badly needed auditorium.

## MENU

COFFEE COUNTY SCHOOLS  
APRIL 3 - APRIL 7

**BREAKFAST**  
Monday - Pancakes, Honey, Sausage Or Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Tuesday - Donuts Or Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Wednesday - Toast, Oatmeal, Jelly Or Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Thursday - Pop Tart Or Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Friday - Waffles Or Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**LUNCH**  
Monday - Fried Pork Chops, Pizza, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Apple Crisp, Fruit, Rolls  
(w/Pork chops), Milk  
Tuesday - Hotdogs, Spaghetti, Vegetable Pings, English Peas, Fruit, Rolls, Chocolate Cake, Milk  
Wednesday - Meat Loaf, Fish Fillet, Tossed Salad, Fried Okra, Pear Salad, Fruit, Hushpuppies, Milk  
Thursday - Hamburger, Chicken Salad, French Fries, Butter Beans, Pineapple Pudding, Fruit, Crackers, Chocolate Pudding, Milk  
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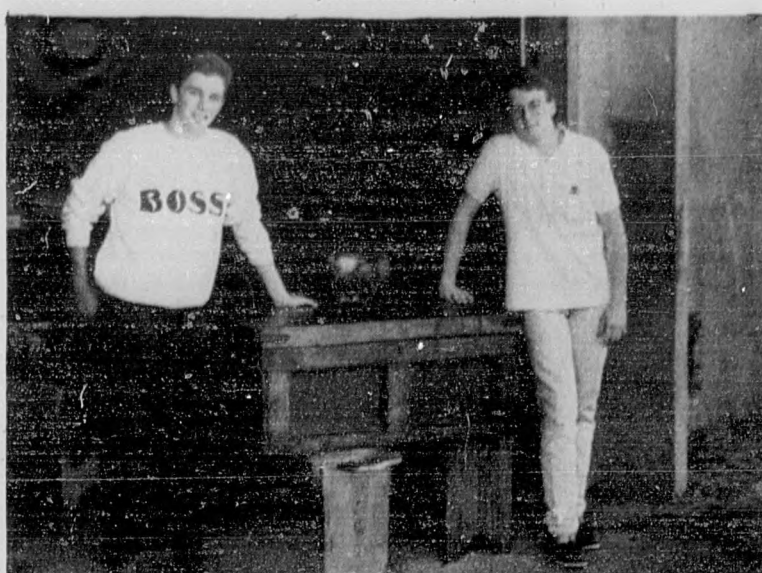
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## SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

### \*\*\*President's Scholarship\*\*\*

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### \*\*\*Bishop's Scholarship\*\*\*

Students who qualify must rank in the upper 10 percent of their class, with a GPA of 3.5 to 3.75 or a SAT score of 999 or ACT of 21.

This scholarship covers tuition and fees up to \$3,000 and is renewable for three years with the maintenance of a 3.3 cumulative GPA.

The amount of this award may vary depending on the student's aid from other sources.

### \*\*\*Dean's Scholarship\*\*\*

Students must have a 3.3 GPA and rank in the upper 15 percent of their class, with a SAT score of 863 or an ACT of 19.

This award is for \$2,000 and is renewable for three years with the maintenance of a 3.15 cumulative GPA.

The amount may vary depending on the student's aid from other sources.

Students must have a 3.0 GPA and rank in the upper 25 percent of their class, with a SAT score of 742 or an ACT of 16.

This award is for \$1,000 and is renewable for three years with the maintenance of a 3.0 cumulative GPA.

The amount may vary depending

### WHAT'S COOKING? ELBA CITY SCHOOLS

APRIL 3 - 7  
**ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**BREAKFAST**  
Monday - 2 Waffles, Bacon, Syrup, Milk  
Tuesday - Cereal, Juice, Milk  
Wednesday - Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk  
Thursday - 2 Pancakes, Bacon, Syrup, Milk  
Friday - Biscuits and Sausage, Jelly (homemade), Milk

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**LUNCH**  
Monday - Barbecue Sandwich, French Fries, Green Beans, Cake, Milk  
Tuesday - Spaghetti, Cheese, English Peas, Fruit, Milk  
Wednesday - Corn Dog, Field Peas, Slaw, Fruit and Milk  
Thursday - Beef Patties, Cabbage, Creamed Potatoes, Fruit, Rolls, Milk  
Friday - Fried Chicken, English Peas, Buttered Rice, Fruit and Milk

**ELBA HIGH AND MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**LUNCH**  
Monday - Turkey Roast Sandwich, Potato Salad, Butterbeans, Garden Peas, Banana Pudding, Milk  
Tuesday - Hamburger on Bun, French Fries, Catsup, Lettuce, Dill, Onion and Tomatoes, Cheese Slice, Oatmeal Cookie, Milk  
Wednesday - Pizza, Tossed Salad, Butterbeans and Broccoli, Fruit Cup, Milk  
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Views From...

## The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Editor

Everybody was talking about badly last week's rains were needed and I guess if you are a farmer or a sufferer of hay fever the rains were a welcomed sight. However, around my house all the rain meant was that the Friday Easter egg hunt at school was cancelled and we had to find umbrellas and raincoats that matched close enough to satisfy my suddenly fashion minded six-year-old. Oh well, I will admit that the grass was nice and green and the flowers were in all their splendor for Easter!

## ELBA TIGER BASEBALLERS ARE READY TO GO

The Elba Tiger baseball team had its scheduled season opener rained out last week, but have four games on the schedule this week and will get plenty of action by the time Friday night rolls around.

The Tigers made it to the state tournament last year for the second straight year and with almost the entire team back again, this season is being looked upon with excited optimism. After all, how many times have the Tigers had their entire pitching staff back for a second straight season, not to mention practically the entire starting lineup. Add to the starters so many talented young players that this season there will be a junior varsity squad that will play six games and it's not hard to see why all the baseball fans in Elba are looking forward to the season.

The pressure is on this year's squad to win, and win big. So, it will be interesting to see just how the kids handle the pressure and just how far this year's squad can go!

## TWO COUNTY SCHOOLS TO FIELD BASEBALL TEAMS

As a longtime baseball fan, I was glad to see that both Kinston and Zion Chapel planned to field a team for a second straight year. Baseball is not a money making sport and requires help from other sources; however, it is America's pastime and it's great that even the smaller schools in the county will offer the sport to their students.

## FINAL FOUR PAIRINGS ARE INTERESTING

I have always been an avid college basketball fan and watched with interest last week as the NCAA narrowed its field down to the "Final 4." I picked Indiana, Arizona, Georgetown and Missouri to advance to the big dance (shows you what I know), but have to admit that with the exception of Seton Hall I like all four teams that made it all the way this season. I watched Illinois several times and they have as many athletes as anybody in the nation, while Michigan is blessed with one of the nation's top players in Glen Rice and Duke is always one of my favorites for the team concept of ball that they play. Seton Hall? I don't really like the Big East conference and haven't seen Seton Hall play enough to know just how good it really is!

My pick for the champion...I hate to put the ole Polish whammy on any team, but I think that it is finally Duke's turn to win it all.

## LET'S GET INVOLVED WITH OUR YOUTH

The summer baseball and softball leagues are almost ready to start and I urge everyone who likes the sports to get involved and help with a team! There are many, many people out there who used to play and probably coach who like to watch the kids play, so, why not volunteer and help out teaching the kids. It is a good way to get out of the house, get a little exercise and have fun at the same time!



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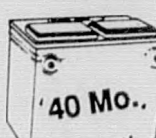
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## SPORTS

## Tigers drop season opener 8-3



FIRST RUN OF SEASON...Elba's Matt Henderson accepts the congratulations of Coach Rick Rainer and his Tiger teammates after scoring in the second inning of Monday afternoon's season opener against Andalusia. The Tigers lost to the visiting Bulldogs 8-3 and will return home Friday when they meet the Rehoboth Rebels in an important Area 3 clash. Game time Friday will be 3:30 on Legion Field.

The Elba Tigers opened the season on a losing note Monday afternoon as they fell to the Andalusia Bulldogs 8-3, at Legion Field.

The win upped the Bulldogs' record to 3-2, while Elba fell to 0-1 with the loss.

Andalusia opened the game with a bang when the Bulldogs jumped out to a 2-0 lead on a two-out double, only to see Elba rally in the bottom of the second to chop the lead in half.

The Elba run came when Matt Henderson led off with a walk, went to second on a fielder's choice, advanced to third on a passed ball and then scored on a fielder's choice hit by Chris Thomas.

Andalusia extended its lead to 6-2 in the top of the third inning on the strength of a grand-slam home-run by Armstrong and increased its lead to 7-2 in the fifth when Armstrong added a solo homer.

The Tigers began to hit the ball midway through the game and in the sixth inning bunched together hits by Chris Thomas and Tim Sulivant and a pair of walks to plate two runs to cut the lead to 7-3.

Andalusia added an insurance run in the final inning and posted the 8-3 win.

Tim Sulivant got 3 hits to lead Elba at the plate, while Chris Thomas added 1.

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"Andalusia has a good baseball team and will win a lot of games, but the biggest difference in Monday's game was the fact it was their fifth game of the season and our first."

Those were the words of Elba Tigers baseball coach Rick Rainer when asked about Elba's season opening loss to Andalusia.

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"Defensively we made three errors that gave Andalusia four runs," added Coach Rainer, "and didn't get to a couple of balls that kept innings alive. I wasn't disappointed, however, because three errors in the first game of the season isn't all that bad and we know we can play better. At the plate we put the bat on the ball and hit the ball sharply but it seemed like everything we hit was right at somebody. We had two long fly balls caught at the fence and had a line drive caught on a great catch that could have led to a couple of runs."

"We just need to play baseball games and with four games on the schedule this week we should get better as the week progresses," said Rainer. "The hitting will come around as we face live pitching and the fielding will be okay. We play a lot of tough teams early in the season and I think it will do us good to play against real stiff competition before we get into the Area race."

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Gamecocks display SEAC championship trophy

## Annual Fall Sports Banquet Honors Student Athletes At New Brockton

The student-athletes at New Brockton High School were honored recently when the New Brockton A. Club sponsored its annual "Fall Sports Banquet" at the Ft. Rucker Officers Club.

Former Enterprise High and Auburn University standout Jim Thompson was the featured speaker at the event and delivered an inspiring speech on how best to deal with life's "ups and downs," and spoke to the students on the importance of grades and not becoming involved with drugs.

Volleyball coach Margie Thomas congratulated the team members for finishing fourth in the state and presented letter awards to all members.

Ashli Hamilton received the award for having the highest academic average, while sharing the "Lady Gamecock" award were Sabrina Cole and Ashli Hamilton.

Mrs. Thomas, who doubles as the cheerleader sponsor, stated that the cheerleaders had an outstanding season despite having seven new members and congratulated the squad for placing 1st runner up in Squad of Excellence competition at summer camp.

All members received letter awards, while receiving special recognition were Captains: Ashli Hamilton and Kim Williams; Co-Captains: Angie Garrison and Kelli Bradley and Highest Academic Average - Kim Williams.

The squad also presented a token of appreciation to Mike Edgar, a sketch of the fieldhouse to the varsity football team and a framed picture to Coach Boutwell.

Varsity football letters were presented to the offensive and defensive backs by Coach Bobby Kinsaul, while Coach Scott Quisenberry presented letters to the offensive and defensive linemen.

Special plaques were presented to the seniors by Coach Leavy Boutwell and other special awards went to Louis Page - Mr. Gamecock; Highest Academic Average - Kenny Griffin; I Like To Practice Award - Lamar Goosby; Joe Godwin I Like To Hit Award - Louis Page and permanent co-captains - Shannon Clark and Bo Pittman.

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## Spring Is The Best Time For Annual Maintenance Of Boats &amp; Equipment

Spring is here. The boating season is just around the corner, and the time for spring cleanup and maintenance is now. Maintenance includes the safety and life saving equipment. Here are some tips to help you care for this equipment so it will take care of you should the need arise.

**Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs).** These used to be called life jackets, but are now called Personal Flotation Devices for a very good reason. A PFD must meet the personal flotation needs of the wearer. Individuals vary greatly and PFDs must meet these individual needs. First, a PFD must be of the right size. If it is too small, it may not float the wearer correctly or it may not have sufficient flotation material to float the wearer at all. If it is too large, the

wearer may fall out of it. PFDs are made from two types of material, unicellular foam, and kapok enclosed in plastic and covered by fabric. Devices made from unicellular foam will generally be good if they look good; meaning they will not have any cracks, rips, or tears. To check the devices made from kapok and plastic, squeeze the device and check it to see if it is lumpy or hard. If it is that water has entered the plastic bag then the device should be replaced. Also check bags for air leaks by squeezing them by the ends toward the center and listening for escaping air. If the plastic bag collapses or you can hear air escaping the PFD must be replaced. The fabric is treated with a mildew resistant chemical, but may eventually rot. Check the material and the

straps by tugging on them firmly. If they break, the straps or the material, it must be replaced. All PFDs should be stored in a dry, cool place with some air circulation, but out of direct sunlight. On board, they must be kept ready for use. Better yet, wear them. By the way, all PFDs must be Coast Guard approved and so marked.

**Fire Extinguishers.** Your fire extinguishers must meet Federal requirements and must be marked as Coast Guard approved. They must be of proper type and size for your boat, and you must have the number required. Check the gauge to ensure that the pressure is adequate or have it weighed at the local fire station. Do not test a fire extinguisher by releasing a small amount of agent. This breaks the seal and may cause it to leak. Shake a dry chemical fire extinguisher well before putting it away. This keeps the dry chemical from packing down in the canister.

For more information on boat safety, contact Officer Russell Colquhoun of the Alabama Marine Police at 222-2115.

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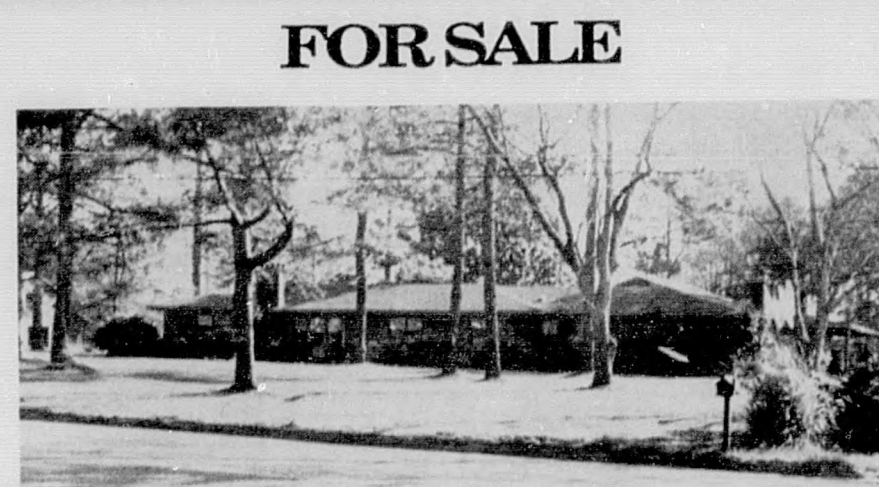
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